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For Governor, 1904,  
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Pope Leo's life is now hanging  
as if by a thread, the end being  
very near.

The boys around Waverly have  
put in their time lately fishing  
lemons and oranges from the  
floating debris in the river.

"Uneasy lies the head that  
calls the special session" is the  
way the Topeka Capital puts it  
regarding the Kansas legisla-  
ture.

A southern man is trying the  
experiment of feeding his hens  
whisky to make them lay better.  
He evidently intends to deal out  
eggnog.

Kansas is calling for thousands  
of harvest hands to save her big  
crop of wheat. Kansans claim  
their crop will reach sixty mil-  
lion bushels this year.

Rudolph, the union bank rob-  
ber, who escaped from the Four  
Courts jail in St. Louis Monday,  
was either an expert escaper, or  
the jail guards were experts on  
carelessness.

The post office scandal at  
Washington promises to reach  
into the halls of congress and  
yank out a number of Repub-  
lican representatives who were  
weak-kneed.

The idea of scientific farming  
is all well enough, but the most  
scientific method of getting rid  
of the weeds at this stage is by  
the use of the old fashioned hoe  
with plenty of elbow grease.

Mark Hanna has decided very  
recently to quit business and go  
into politics. Probably there is  
more money in the latter, but  
we can't remember in the last  
decade when Mark was out of  
politics.

Warrensburg Journal-Demo-  
crat, noting some of the accidents  
at their street fair last week,  
says: "One of the Valley Band  
musicians is reported to have  
accidentally blown all the crooks  
and turns out of his instrument."

Either Folk or Gantt for Gov-  
ernor will suit the rank and file  
of the Democratic party, and  
while we would like to see the  
many elements who have ex-  
pressed their admiration for  
Circuit Attorney Joseph W. Folk  
fully satisfied, Judge Gantt would  
make a strong candidate and a  
splendid Governor.

Many excellent school build-  
ings are being erected this year,  
says State Supt. Carrington.  
There were nearly two millions  
spent last year in the erection of  
public school buildings in the  
state. Considering the greatly  
increased amount to be spent in  
the larger towns and cities, it  
is believed there will be fully  
three millions spent this summer.  
Missouri is wider awake on the  
school question than ever before.  
From all quarters come requests  
for modern plans.

## Folk the People's Man.

As an evidence that the people  
of Missouri want Joseph W. Folk  
for Governor, there are elements  
endorsing him every day who  
have never shown their hands in  
political matters before, and as  
they are voters who believe in  
honesty in public office, and wish  
to give due credit where back-  
bone has been exercised in the  
discharge of official duties in the  
face of great odds, they will help  
to elect Mr. Folk irrespective of  
politics, or political affiliation.  
The call for him comes from the  
people, and he should promptly  
consent to carry his purifying  
elements into the gubernatorial  
chair and thus redeem some of  
the honor that has been lost by  
the dishonest acts of a gang of  
legislative boddlers who have at  
last been exposed at his hands.

The people of Missouri realize  
now that they have been imposed  
upon and the honor of their great  
state has been dragged in the  
foul and disgusting slime of de-  
generacy by unprincipled men,  
that made a business of selling  
themselves to a horde of money-  
grabbing magnates who found  
them willing to betray their un-  
suspecting constituents for dis-  
honest gain. These exposures  
have brought the people to a  
sense of their duty to an official  
who is not found wanting when  
the state's honor is at stake, and  
they are determined to call  
Joseph W. Folk to the front  
without regard to leaders or pol-  
iticians, and place him at the  
head of state affairs, where he  
may exercise the functions of  
his high office to still further  
purify the tainted air that now  
surrounds our legislative roster  
at the state capital.

It is not fair or just to say  
that he cannot as Governor probe  
to the bottom this disgraceful  
rottenness. He can, and there  
are many others to help, once  
they find backing in the highest  
office in the state. We are will-  
ing to risk our chances with Mr.  
Folk, as he has proven his ability,  
while he has been apparently  
blind to all influences that would  
even tend to lead him into cor-  
ruptible paths or swerve him in  
fully performing his duties.  
This is the kind of a Governor  
the people are now calling for  
and they demand that he come  
forward.

The county examination for  
teacher's certificates was held  
on June 20 and 27. A very  
large number of teachers took  
this examination, some of them  
wisely chose to take only a part  
of the examination at this time,  
concluding to finish at the August  
examination. The privilege of  
having two examinations with-  
out additional fee is greatly ap-  
preciated by the teachers. This  
enables them to make more ex-  
tended preparation. Another  
recent change in law that meets  
general approval is the renewal  
of certificates without fee.

During the recent fire at Mar-  
shall one merchant rushed into  
his store to try and save some-  
thing from the impending de-  
struction and came out carefully  
carrying a box of matches.

A. F. Harrold, who died at  
Galena the other day, was buried  
in a coffin that he himself made  
thirty years ago when he was a  
coffinmaker at Diamond, Mo.

Kansas farmers are growing  
sensitive. A Marion county  
farmer is suing another because  
he called him a "jackass."

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A few weeks ago the St. Louis  
Republic, while favoring Folk for a  
"state office," attempted to show  
that he was too new in politics  
and gave other "reasons" why  
his name should not be "men-  
tioned" in connection with the  
gubernatorial nomination. The  
Republic has evidently heard  
from the country districts, for  
last week that paper editorially  
declared that "If the body of  
Missouri voters unqualifiedly  
manifest themselves in favor of  
Folk for Governor, his nomina-  
tion cannot be prevented by any  
arrangement of personal poli-  
tics."

The Linneus Bulletin says the  
anti-cigarette law is such a suc-  
cess in its town that some of the  
merchants have quit handling  
tobacco altogether. This is hard  
for the boy who "bummed de  
makin's."

## Judge Hughes Dead.

Judge E. M. Hughes died at  
his home in Montgomery City  
Wednesday of paralysis. He was  
stricken last week while hearing  
a motion for a change of venue  
at Mexico in the Clarence Barnes  
case, charged with the murder  
of Hon. H. Clay Rhodes. He  
was taken to his home in Mont-  
gomery City, where he died  
Wednesday morning.

Judge Hughes was one of the  
ablest jurists of the State. He  
was elected to the position of  
judge of the Eleventh Circuit  
Court district 1886, and has  
served continuously in that po-  
sition until death claimed him.  
He was born in Troy, Mo., on  
November 7, 1844, and therefore  
nearly 61 years of age. He was  
educated in the common schools,  
read law and was admitted to  
practice in 1867, and was actively  
engaged in the practice of his  
profession until he was called  
upon to perform the office of  
judge for the Circuit Court of  
that district, which duties he  
performed with fairness and  
ability.—State Tribune.

## Repulsive Features.

Blackheads, pimples, greasy faces  
and muddy complexions, which are so  
common among women especially girls  
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disfiguring and making repulsive fea-  
tures which would otherwise appear  
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